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### **Be Aware of Wildland Fire Danger**

As the Fourth of July approaches, the public is reminded that discharging fireworks is prohibited on all federal and state lands. For regulations on county lands, please contact your local fire department, county fire warden, or sheriff's office.

The danger of wildland fire will increase as the summer heats up and the lush growth of this spring dries out. Please take extra caution when working and recreating outdoors to help prevent wildland fire starts. **Anyone who causes a wildland fire intentionally or through negligence may be held accountable for damage and suppression costs.**

General precautions include ensuring that your campfire is dead out before you leave it; smoking only in an enclosed vehicle or building and crushing it out completely; and parking only in areas clear of vegetation.

In general, burn permits are required for any open burning other than campfires, but there may be additional fire restrictions in your area. Before burning such things as slash piles, ditches, or fields, please contact your local fire department or sheriff's office for more information and to obtain any necessary permits.

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For more information about preventing wildland fires, please contact the Custer National Forest at 406-657-6200; Bureau of Land Management at 406-896-5013; Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation at 406-247-4400; Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks at 406-247-2940; Carbon County at 406-446-1595; Stillwater County at 406-321-0204; or your local fire department or sheriff's office.

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